# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# URBAN DEVELOPMENT
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2551
ANSWERED ON:18.08.2006
POPULATION IN URBAN AREAS
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**Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has estimated that urban development will have to take on the challenge as about 75 per cent of the population is expected to live in urban areas by 2021;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the areas of urban development to be carried out to meet this challenge and its funding;

(d) whether the Government proposes for private participation in funding this scheme; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a): No, Sir. As per projection made by Census 2001, urbanization in the country by 2026 would be 38.2%, and by 2051 48%. As per National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) estimate, 34.40% will constitute urban population in 2021.

(b): Detail of urban population from 1951 to 2001 and projected population by 2011 and 2021 is given in Annexure-I.

(c): Realizing the problems of growing urbanization and deficiency in the provision of urban infrastructure and giving encouragement to the Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) to carry out urban reforms, Government of India has launched scheme of Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) in December, 2005.

The Mission aims at creating economically productive, efficient, equitable and responsive cities in an integrated framework with focus on economic and social infrastructure, basic services to urban poor, urban sector reforms and strengthening of Municipal Governments and their functioning.

The Mission comprises two sub-missions, viz. Sub-Mission-I for Urban Infrastructure and Governance and Sub-Mission-II for basic Services for the urban poor. The Mission provides focused attention to 63 select cities in different States.

For cities/ towns not covered under the Mission, the Government of India has launched another scheme known as Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for Small and Medium Towns

(UIDSSMT). Government of India, Ministry of Urban Housing & Poverty Alleviation has also launched a scheme known as Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP).

(d)&(e): As per JNNURM guidelines, private sector participation in developments, management and financing of urban infrastructure would be clearly delineated projects with private sector participation will be given priority over projects to be executed by ULBs/ Parastatals themselves, as this will help leverage private capital and bring in efficiencies.
ANNEXURE
ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2551 FOR 18.8.2006.

TABLE: TRENDS OF URBANISATION IN INDIA, 1951-2001

| Census Year | Total population (in million) | Urban population (million) | Percentage of Urban Population to total population |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1951 | 361.08 | 62.44 | 17.29 |
| 1961 | 439.23 | 78.93 | 17.97 |

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| 1971 | 548.15 | 109.11 | 19.91 |
| 1981 | 683.32 | 159.46 | 23.34 |
| 1991 | 846.30 | 217.61 | 25.71 |
| 2001 | 1028.78 | 286.11 | 27.8 |
| 2011 | 1298.15 | 405.26 | 31.22 |
| 2021 | 1607.77 | 553.04 | 34.40 |

Projected figures.

SOURCE: NIUA Urban Statistics Handbook 2000, National Institute of Urban Affairs, New Delhi, January 2000.